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5 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
6 DISTRICT OF NEVADA  
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8 JULIO ANTELO,

9 Plaintiff,

10 vs.

11 DEPUY SYNTHES PRODUCTS, LLC;  
12 DEPUY SYNTHES SALES, INC.,

13 Defendants.

Case No. 2:13-cv-01613-MMD-GWF

**ORDER**

14 This matter is before the Court on Plaintiff's Status Report (#31), filed January 28, 2015.  
15 This matter is also before the Court on Defendant's Response to Plaintiff's Status Report (#32) and  
16 Motion for Protective Order (#33).

17 In his status report, the Plaintiff informed the Court of his ongoing efforts to obtain new  
18 counsel and an expert witness to examine the device in question. Plaintiff is attempting to retain  
19 new counsel, but is currently proceeding pro se. The Plaintiff represents that he has found an  
20 expert willing to conduct the tests, and the expert will need sufficient time to conduct his  
21 examination of the device. Because of the difficulties of proceeding pro se, the Court finds that it  
22 is in the interests of justice to allow the Plaintiff sufficient time to retain this expert and allow the  
23 expert to examine the device in question.

24 The Defendants have filed a motion for a protective order to prevent the Plaintiff from  
25 conducting any potentially damaging or destructive non-visual tests on the device. The Court will  
26 grant the protective order, and instructs the parties to confer as to the proper protocol for  
27 conducting the tests. Should any non-visual tests eventually be required, the Defendants may have  
28 a representative present to observe and participate in any testing. Accordingly,

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